



# Water Quality Program

## Permit Submittal Electronic Certification

**Permittee:** EVERETT CITY

**Permit Number:** WAR045515

**Site Address:** 3200 CEDAR ST  
Everett, WA 98201

**Submittal Name:** MS4 Annual Report Phase II Western

**Version:** 1

**Due Date:** 3/31/2023

### Questionnaire

Number	Permit Section	Question	Answer
1	S5.A	Attach a copy of any annexations, incorporations or boundary changes resulting in an increase or decrease in the Permittee's geographic area of permit coverage during the reporting period per S9.D.6.	Not Applicable
2	S5.A	Attach updated annual Stormwater Management Program Plan (SWMP Plan). (S5.A.2)	CITY OF EVERETT SWMP 2023_2_021620231122 58
3	S5.A	Implemented an ongoing program to gather, track, and maintain information per S5.A.3, including costs or estimated costs of implementing the SWMP.	Yes
4	S5.A.5.b	Coordinated among departments within the jurisdiction to eliminate barriers to permit compliance. (S5.A.5.b)	Yes
5	S5.C.1.	Have you convened an interdisciplinary team to inform and assist in the development, progress, and influence of the comprehensive stormwater planning program? (S5.c.1). August 1, 2020	Yes
15	S5.C.1.c	Continue to design and implement local development-related codes, rules, standards, or other enforceable documents to minimize impervious surfaces, native vegetation loss, and stormwater runoff, where feasible? See S5.C.1.c.i. (Required annually)	Yes
16	S5.C.1.c	From the assessment described in S5.C.1.c.i (a), did you identify any administrative or regulatory barriers to implementation of LID Principles or LID BMPs? (Required annually)	Yes
16a	S5.C.1.c	If yes, describe the barrier(s) and the measures taken to address them. (S5.C.1.c.i(a))	Question 16a. Attachment. LID _16a_03132023110633
19	S5.C.1.d	Developed a Stormwater Management Action Plan (SMAP) for at least one high priority area? (S5.C.1.d.iii – Required by March 31, 2023)	Yes
19a	S5.C.1.d	Attach SMAP(s)	2023 EVERETT SMAP- FINAL REPORT_19a_0330202 3123353

20	S5.C.2	Did you choose to adopt one or more elements of a regional program? (S5.C.2)	Yes
20a	S5.C.2	If yes, list the elements, and the regional program.	<p>See Attachment Question 20. The City of Everett contributed financially to the Puget Sound Starts Here month regional digital campaign. The 2022 campaign was focused on specific vehicle education information and encouraged completion of an educational quiz. Collectively the PSSH social media campaign reached over 6.7 million total media impressions, which included all City of Everett zip codes across digital and social media – including relevant local and national publishers to sensitive populations in 4 languages.</p> <p>Mayor Franklin proclaimed September 2022 Puget Sound Starts Here month and this was followed by a month-long series of PSSH-related posts on all city social media platforms, along with airing the videos on the local Everett cable channel, directing traffic to the Puget Sound Starts Here website during the month of September and October.</p>
21	S5.C.2	Attach a description of general awareness efforts conducted, including your target audiences and subject areas, per S5.C.2.a.i.	Question 20 21 and 26. Attachm_21_02162023112717
26	S5.C.2	Promoted stewardship opportunities (or partnered with others) to encourage resident participation in activities such as those described in S5.C.2.a.iii.	Yes
26a	S5.C.2	Attach a list of stewardship opportunities provided.	Question 20 21 and 26. Attachm_26a_02162023112717

27	S5.C.3.	Describe in Comments field the opportunities created for the public, including overburdened communities, to participate in the decision-making processes involving the development, implementation, and updates of the Permittee's SWMP and the SMAP. (S5.C.3.a)	<p>The outreach tools focused on communication via electronic, in-person, and direct mail. The City used a StoryMap on its website which allowed for more interactive two-way communication and was a key for early input on SMAP prioritization process. A virtual open house was created to solicit feedback on potential actions the City considered during the identification of stormwater management actions. Post Cards, direct email to stakeholders and North Creek residents, City Newsflash, attended City Council Meetings and neighborhood meetings, and attended In-Person Clinic/education event in the North Creek neighborhood</p> <p>Outreach tools corresponded to the SMAP schedule milestones. The tools supported education about the process and proactively informed community members about the SMAP and provided opportunities to share local knowledge in the basins. A full detail of SMAP outreach and involvement opportunities are in the City's SMAP report. In addition the SWMP was presented to the Council of Neighborhoods in February, posted on social media, and provided for public comment on the City's website.</p>
28	S5.C.3.	Posted the updated SWMP Plan and latest annual report on your website no later than May 31. (S5.C.3.b)	Yes
28a	S5.C.3.	List the website address in Comments field.	<a href="https://www.everettwa.gov/668/Surface-Stormwater">https://www.everettwa.gov/668/Surface-Stormwater</a>

29	S5.C.4.	Maintained a map of the MS4 including the requirements listed in S5.C.4.a.i-vii?	Yes
30	S5.C.4.	Started mapping outfall size and material in accordance with S5.C.4.b.i? (Required no later than January 1, 2020)	Yes
30a	S5.C.4.	Attach a spreadsheet that lists the known outfalls' size and material(s).	Question 30a. Outfall size and_30a_03302023090400
31	S5.C.4.	Completed mapping connections to private storm sewers in accordance with S5.C.4.b.ii? (Required no later than August 1, 2023)	Not Applicable
33	S5.C.5	Informed public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illicit discharges and improper disposal of waste? (S5.C.5.b)	Yes
33a	S5.C.5	Actions taken to inform public employees, businesses, and the general public of hazards associated with illicit discharges and improper disposal of waste.	The SWMP attached to this report has a list of activities the City has taken to inform and educate staff, businesses and the general public of hazards associated with IDDE. In 2022 for examples the City continued to use a variety of methods to train staff on IDDE, In person IDDE training, IDDE video training uploaded into the City's electronic training center, and specific sampling and tracing techniques for field staff.
34	S5.C.5	Implemented an ordinance or other regulatory mechanism to effectively prohibit non-stormwater, illicit discharges as described in S5.C.5.c.	Yes
35	S5.C.5	Implemented procedures for conducting illicit discharge investigations in accordance with S5.C.5.d.i.	Yes

35a	S5.C.5	Cite field screening methodology in Comments field.	The City has integrated IDDE efforts with MS4 inspections as recommended in Chapter 7 of Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination: A Guidance Manual for Program Development and Technical Assessments. During MS4 inspections the City uses the Routine Maintenance Approach Field Screening Methodology described in the Catch Basin/Manhole inspections sections of the 2020 Revision Illicit Connection and Illicit Discharge Field Screening and Source Tracing Guidance Manual prepared by Herrera. In addition City staff are trained to observe potential illicit discharges and initiate further IDDE inspections as needed. Potential illicit discharges are further investigated by City staff. The electronic inspections for stormwater assets inspected as part of the MS4 program have fields to verify if IDDE is present or not during each inspection.
36	S5.C.5	Percentage of MS4 coverage area screened in the reporting year per S5.C.5.d.i. (Required to screen 12% on average each year.)	23
36a	S5.C.5	Cite field screening techniques used to determine percent of MS4 screened.	An illicit discharge screening is conducted during every stormwater facility inspection, including catch basins, ditches, culverts, outfalls, and detention and water quality facilities. The percentage screened is calculated based on the number of stormwater assets screened divided by the total number of stormwater assets owned and operated by the City over the given time period.

37	S5.C.5	Percentage of total MS4 screened from permit effective date through the end of the reporting year. (S5.C.5.d.i.)	76
38	S5.C.5	Describe how you publicized a hotline telephone number for public reporting of spills and other illicit discharges in the Comments field. (S5.C.5.d.ii)	The 24-hour reporting hotline (425) 257-8821 or on-line form allows citizens to report spills, water quality concerns, and utility issues. The hotline phone number is on the City web page, emails, provided on social media posts, on door hangers, provided on educational flyers and on selected inspections letters.
39	S5.C.5	Implemented an ongoing illicit discharge training program for all municipal field staff per S5.C.5.d.iii.	Yes
40	S5.C.5	Implemented an ongoing program to characterize, trace, and eliminate illicit discharges into the MS4 per S5.C.5.e.	Yes
41	S5.C.5	Municipal illicit discharge detection staff are trained to conduct illicit discharge detection and elimination activities as described in S5.C.5.f.	Yes
42	S5.C.5	Attach a report with data describing the actions taken to characterize, trace, and eliminate each illicit discharge reported to, or investigated by, the Permittee as described in S5.C.5.g. The submittal must include all of the applicable information and must follow the instructions, timelines, and format described in Appendix 12.	Question 42. IDDE Reporting Fo_42_03302023142006
43	S5.C.6.	Implemented an ordinance or other enforceable mechanism to effectively address runoff from new development, redevelopment, and construction sites per the requirements of S5.C.6.b.i-iii.	Yes
44	S5.C.6.	Revised ordinance or other enforceable mechanism to effectively address runoff from new development, redevelopment, and construction sites per the requirements of S5.C.6.b.i-iii. (Required no later than June 30, 2022)	Yes
44a	S5.C.6.	Cite code reference in Comments field.	Ordinance No. 3528-16 (Chapter 14.28 EMC) July 2019, Effective January 1, 2020 and Ordinance No. 3880-22 (Chapter 14.28 EMC), Effective August 1, 2022.
45	S5.C.6.	Number of adjustments granted to the minimum requirements in Appendix 1. (S5.C.6.b.i. and Section 5 of Appendix 1)	1

46	S5.C.6.	Number of exceptions/variances granted to the minimum requirements in Appendix 1. (S5.C.6.b.i., and Section 6 of Appendix 1)	0
47	S5.C.6.	Reviewed Stormwater Site Plans for all proposed development activities that meet the thresholds adopted pursuant to S5.C.6.b.i. (S5.C.6.c.i)	Yes
47a	S5.C.6.	Number of site plans reviewed during the reporting period.	125
48	S5.C.6.	Inspected, prior to clearing and construction, permitted development sites per S5.C.6.c.ii, that have a high potential for sediment transport as determined through plan review based on definitions and requirements in Appendix 7 – Determining Construction Site Sediment Damage Potential?	No
48a	S5.C.6.	If no, inspected, prior to clearing and construction, all construction sites meeting the minimum thresholds (S5.C.6.c.ii)?	Yes
49	S5.C.6.	Inspected permitted development sites during construction to verify proper installation and maintenance of required erosion and sediment controls per S5.C.6.c.iii.	Yes
49a	S5.C.6.	Number of construction sites inspected per S5.C.6.c.iii.	98
49b	S5.C.6.	Inspected stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities and catch basins in new residential developments every 6 months per S5.C.6.c.iv?	Yes
50	S5.C.6.	Inspected all permitted development sites upon completion of construction and prior to final approval or occupancy to ensure proper installation of permanent stormwater facilities. (S5.C.6.c.v)	Yes
51	S5.C.6.	Verified a maintenance plan is completed and responsibility for maintenance is assigned for projects prior to final approval and occupancy being granted. (S5.C.6.c.v)	Yes
52	S5.C.6.	Number of enforcement actions taken during the reporting period (based on construction phase inspections at new development and redevelopment projects). (S5.C.6.c.ii-iv) (S5.C.7.c.viii)	5
53	S5.C.6.	Achieved at least 80% of scheduled construction-related inspections. (S5.C.6.c.vi)	Yes
54	S5.C.6.	Made Ecology's Notice of Intent for Construction Activity and Notice of Intent for Industrial Activity available to representatives of proposed new development and redevelopment? (S5.C.6.d)	Yes
55	S5.C.6.	All staff whose primary job duties are implementing the program to control stormwater runoff from new development, redevelopment, and construction sites including permitting, plan review, construction site inspections, and enforcement are trained to conduct these activities? (S5.C.6.e)	Yes

56	S5.C.7.	Implemented maintenance standards that are as protective, or more protective, of facility function than those specified in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington or a Phase I program approved by Ecology per S5.C.7.a.?	Yes
57	S5.C.7.	Updated maintenance standards specified in Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington per S5.C.7.a? (Required no later than June 30, 2022)	Yes
58	S5.C.7.	Applied a maintenance standard for a facility or facilities which do not have maintenance standards specified in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington? If so, note in the Comments field what kinds of facilities are covered by this alternative standard. (S5.C.7.a)	No
59	S5.C.7.	Verified that maintenance was performed per the schedule in S5.C.7.a.ii when an inspection identified an exceedance of the maintenance standard.	Yes
59a	S5.C.7.	Attach documentation of maintenance time frame exceedances that were beyond the Permittee's control.	Not Applicable
60	S5.C.7.	Implemented an ordinance or other enforceable mechanisms to verify long-term operation and maintenance of stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities regulated by the permittee per (S5.C.7.b.i (a))?	Yes
61	S5.C.7.	Annually inspected stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities regulated by the Permittee per S5.C.7.b.i(b)	Yes
61a	S5.C.7.	If using reduced inspection frequency for the first time during this permit cycle, attach documentation per S5.C.7.b.i (b)	Not Applicable
62	S5.C.7.	Achieved at least 80% of scheduled inspections to verify adequate long-term O&M. (S5.C.7.b.ii)	Yes
63	S5.C.7.	Annually inspected all municipally owned or operated permanent stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities. (S5.C.7.c.i)	No
63a	S5.C.7.	Number of known municipally owned or operated stormwater treatment and flow control BMPs/facilities. (S5.C.7.c.i)	504
63b	S5.C.7.	Number of facilities inspected during the reporting period.	493
63c	S5.C.7.	Number of facilities for which maintenance was performed during the reporting period.	181
64	S5.C.7.	If using reduced inspection frequency for the first time during this permit cycle, attach documentation per S5.C.7.c.i.	Not Applicable
65	S5.C.7.	Conducted spot checks and inspections (if necessary) of potentially damaged stormwater facilities after major storms as per S5.C.7.c.ii.	Yes
66	S5.C.7.	Inspected municipally owned or operated catch basins and inlets every two years or used an alternative approach? Cleaned as needed? (S5.C.7.c.iii)	Yes



66a	S5.C.7.	Number of known catch basins?	11474
66b	S5.C.7.	Number of catch basins inspected during the reporting period?	1832
66c	S5.C.7.	Number of catch basins cleaned during the reporting period?	235
67	S5.C.7.	Attach documentation of alternative catch basin cleaning approach, if used. (S5.C.7.c.iii.(a)-(c))	Not Applicable
68	S5.C.7.	Implemented practices, policies and procedures to reduce stormwater impacts associated with runoff from all lands owned or maintained by the Permittee, and road maintenance activities under the functional control of the Permittee. (S5.C.7.d)	Yes
69	S5.C.7.	Documented practices, policies, and procedures to reduce stormwater impacts associated with runoff from all lands owned or maintained by the Permittee, and road maintenance activities under the functional control of the Permittee. (S5.C.7.d – Required by December 31, 2022)	Yes
69a	S5.C.7.	Cite documentation in Comments.	The City follows documented procedures to reduce stormwater impacts related to the activities listed in S5.C.7.d of the Permit. City staff receives general training for these activities as well as being trained on specific SOPs and procedures. SOPs were updated in 2022 to reflect current maintenance standards and applicable best management practices to be applied per the 2019 Ecology SWMMWW.
70	S5.C.7.	Implemented an ongoing training program for Permittee employees whose primary construction, operations or maintenance job functions may impact stormwater quality. (S5.C.7.e)	Yes
71	S5.C.7.	Implemented a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) for all heavy equipment maintenance or storage yards, and material storage facilities owned or operated by the Permittee in areas subject to this Permit that are not required to have coverage under an NPDES permit that covers stormwater discharges associated with the activity. (S5.C.7.f)	Yes
72	S5.C.7.	Updated, if needed, SWPPPs according to S5.C.7.f no later than December 31, 2022.	Yes

73	S5.C.8	Adopted ordinance(s), or other enforceable documents, requiring the application of source control BMPs for pollutant generating sources associated with existing land uses and activities per S.5.C.8.b.i. (Required by August 1, 2022)	Yes
73a	S5.C.8	Cite ordinance. (Required by August 1, 2022)	Ordinance No. 3880-22 (Chapter 14.28 EMC), Effective August 1, 2022.
74	S5.C.8	Established an inventory per S5.C.8.b.ii. (Required by August 1, 2022.)	Yes
74a	S5.C.8	Number of total sites identified for the inventory.	409
75	S5.C.8	Implemented an inspection program S5.C.8.b.iii (Required by January 1, 2023).	Yes
76	S5.C.8	Implemented a progressive enforcement policy per S5.C.8.b.iv (Required by January 1, 2023).	Yes
77	S5.C.8	Attach a summary of actions taken to implement the source control program per S5.C.8.b.iii and S5.C.8.b.iv.	Question 77. Summary of action_77_03132023110710
78	S5.C.8	Attach a list of inspections, per S5.C.8.b.iii, organized by the business category, noting the amount of times each business was inspected, and if enforcement actions were taken.	Not Applicable
79	S5.C.8	Implemented an ongoing source control training program per S5.C.8.b.v?	Yes
80	S7	Complied with the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL)-specific requirements identified in Appendix 2. (S7.A)	Yes
81	S7	For TMDLs listed in Appendix 2: Attach a summary of relevant SWMP and Appendix 2 activities to address the applicable TMDL parameter(s). (S7.A)	Question 81. S7 TMDL Appendix _81_02162023115800
82	S8	Submitted payment for cost-sharing for Stormwater Action Monitoring (SAM) status and trends monitoring no later than December 1, 2019 (S8.A.1); and no later than August 15 of each subsequent year? (S8.A.2.a.)	Yes
84	S8	Submitted payment for cost-sharing for SAM effectiveness and source identification studies no later than December 1, 2019 (S8.B.1); and no later than August 15 of each subsequent year (S8.B.2.a or S8.B.2.c)?	Yes
87	S8	If conducting stormwater discharge monitoring in accordance with S8.C.1, attach a data and analysis report per S8.C.1. and Appendix 9. (Due annually beginning March 31, 2021.)	Not Applicable
88	G3	Notified Ecology in accordance with G3 of any discharge into or from the Permittees MS4 which could constitute a threat to human health, welfare or the environment. (G3)	Yes
89	G3	Took appropriate action to correct or minimize the threat to human health, welfare, and/or the environment per G3.A.	Yes

90	Compliance with standards	Notified Ecology within 30 days of becoming aware that a discharge from the Permittee's MS4 caused or contributed to a known or likely violation of water quality standards in the receiving water. (S4.F.1)	Not Applicable
91	Compliance with standards	If requested, submitted an Adaptive Management Response report in accordance with S4.F.3.a.	Not Applicable
92	Compliance with standards	Attach a summary of the status of implementation of any actions taken pursuant to S4.F.3 and the status of any monitoring, assessment, or evaluation efforts conducted during the reporting period. (S4.F.3.d)	Not Applicable
93	G20	Notified Ecology of the failure to comply with the permit terms and conditions within 30 days of becoming aware of the non-compliance. (G20)	Not Applicable
94	G20	Number of non-compliance notifications (G20) provided in reporting year. List permit conditions described in non-compliance notification(s) in Comments field.	Not Applicable

*I certify under penalty of law, that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system or those persons directly responsible for gathering information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.*

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